

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS AND PUBLIC
COMMENT PERIOD FOR DEVELOPMENT OF WATER QUALITY STUDY**

PUBLIC MEETING: Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at 2:30pm at the Rowanty Technical Center located at 20000 Rowanty Road, Carson, VA 23830.

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Conservation and Recreation have been developing a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) report, which is a water quality study to quantify the bacteria pollution sources in an unnamed tributary (UT) to Nebletts Mill Run in Sussex County and Hatcher Run in Dinwiddie County. This notice announces the final public meetings on June 16th and a public comment opportunity, which begins on June 17th.

MEETING DESCRIPTION: A summary presentation will be given of the draft TMDL report regarding the water quality impairments of the streams mentioned above which fail the recreational use due to bacterial violations. The meeting will serve as an opportunity for the public to offer input regarding the impaired watersheds and to ask questions regarding the water quality study and report development. The presentation will include loadings and suggested reductions of bacteria in order to meet water quality standards for the recreational use.

DESCRIPTION OF STUDY: Virginia agencies have been working to identify and quantify sources of the bacterial contamination for Hatcher Run and an UT to Nebletts Mill Run. The former impairment spans approximately 4 miles and the latter approximately 2 miles. These waterways are impaired for failure to meet the recreational designated use due to exceedances of the bacteria water quality standard.

Waterbody	Location	Impaired Length (mi)	Impairment
Hatcher Run (VAP_K23R-05-BAC)	Dinwiddie County (from headwaters to the pond below Rt. 627)	4.36	Recreational Use
Un-named Tributary to Nebletts Mill Run (VAP_K23R-03-BAC)	Sussex County	1.73	
Total Impaired Length		6.09	

The study reports on the current status of the streams via sampling performed by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and the possible sources of bacterial contamination. The study recommends TMDLs, for the above impairments. To restore water quality, bacteria levels have to be reduced to the TMDL amount.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts written comments by e-mail, fax, or postal mail. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ during the comment period, which begins on June 17 and expires July 19, 2010.

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